



EVERY BLOCK A VILLAGE

FY 2012 Annual Report



RESTORATION

"If it takes a Village to Raise a Child, What does it take to create a Village?"

--Jacqueline Reed, Founder & President - WHA



Community residents gather for prayer and support after shooting death of 7 year old Heaven Sutton on June 29, 2012

MESSAGE FROM CEO:

Dear Friends and Colleagues,



On behalf of Westside Health Authority staff, volunteers, board members, and friends I am pleased to share our progress for the year 2012. Sadly, last year violence claimed the life of 34 residents in Austin. High unemployment and high school dropout rates, absentee fathers, and housing foreclosures and abandonment are on the minds of many of our community residents. In the midst of it all, however, WHA has continued to forge strong relationships with citizen leaders, bankers, elected officials, parent groups, churches, and businesses to build an infrastructure that will not only address these problems but guide us toward a more prosperous and hopeful future.

In my first year as CEO, I have had the privilege to witness the tremendous strength of many of our citizen leaders and staff who have given their heart and talent to continue the transformation process started by my predecessor. This year WHA served over 22,000 in various ways:

- Placed over **550** residents in jobs through our Employment Center
- Trained over **600** youth and Seniors in Computer Application
- Renovated **6** abandoned homes using local labor and suppliers
- Provided Youth Leadership Training and Internships to over **200** youth
- Implemented Fitness and Nutrition Programs at Local park districts and Schools
- Provided Breast Health Education and Mammograms to over **3200** women
- Helped over **2,000** exoffenders reintegrate back into the community at Prisoner Reentry Center

Every Block a Village (EBV), which is the organizing infrastructure that has continued to sustain our work, has been strengthened by "Daddies Of Shorties" (DOS)--- a newly formed association of men aimed at improving the lives of children in the Austin community by providing alternatives to street crimes and violence. We present this report through the contribution of these groups and others who have strengthened WHA and the Austin community.

Sincerely,



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Community Organizing |



PHOTO OF WALL PAINTED BY EBV YOUTH

WHA is one of the largest grass-roots social service agencies in Chicago. Our objective is to educate and empower the community by evolving spiritually, economically, socially, physically, intellectually, emotionally and environmentally. WHA has developed substantial relationships with citizen leaders on **100** blocks in Austin and has reached out to **200** more.

Every Block a Village (EBV) is community organizing that focuses on the potential of community residents. "It takes a village to raise a child", so we re-build our village by connecting our youth with adults throughout the neighborhood. Every block can become a village. Everyone is challenged with the responsibility to improve their community. We encourage neighbors to attend meetings in support of improvement in the community. City officials are also involved in this organizational structure.

Daddies of Shorties (DOS) - In early 2012, WHA organized its first meeting of community men who named themselves "Daddies of Shorties" (DOS). Since then these men have become engaged with youth as mentors and volunteers on their blocks. They sponsor spiritual awareness and bible class each Friday Morning at WHA's Community Kitchen, serve on local school councils, and work with the 15th and 25th District police stations to combat crime and violence. The group has rapidly grown to over **20** men many of whom were formally unemployed but are now employed as school community watchers and construction aides. The Daddies of Shorties take up a weekly collection to support other DOS members that are unemployed which lends support and serves as a deterrent to crime for other members in need. This helps promote the value of "caring, sharing, giving in the community" a value that is promoted by WHA.

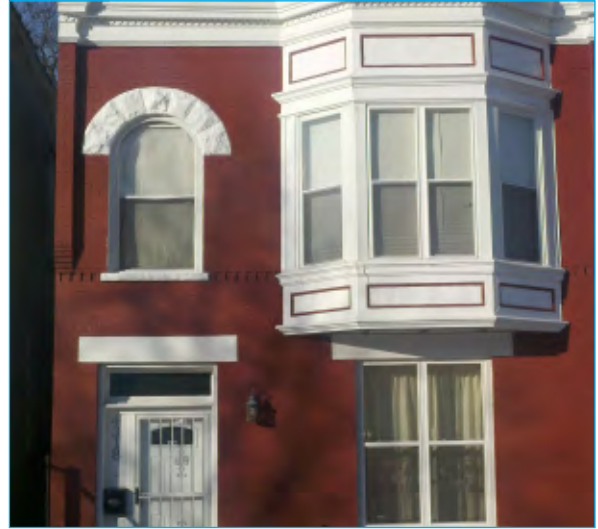
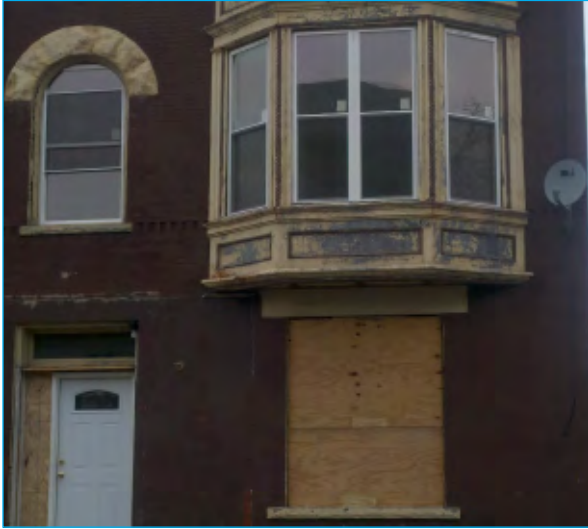


MRS. REED, WHA FOUNDER, WITH SEVERAL MEMBERS OF DOS

Community Technology Center - Monday - Friday from 10a.m - 5p.m, our 22 station computer lab is open to the public for: on-line job applications, job-search, resumes, and e-mail, and homework assistance. Over **600** community residents (many Seniors and youth) completed 8 week training classes focusing on computer software and Internet searches.



Economic Development |



DEVELOPMENT OF AUSTIN PROPERTY - BEFORE AND AFTER

Permanent, secure housing is still one of the most pressing needs of many whom WHA serve. WHA's mission continues to be to build strong communities and families. One way to do this is by providing safe housing options for those in need. Most property is rental, but allots the opportunity for an individual to prepare for home ownership. These homes are then sold at or near cost, or rented to deserving families.

WHA is committed to using localized labor and suppliers to perform the rehab and restoration. Our work team consists of local contractors and young men. Through a grant by the Chicago Community Trust-Searle Funds, these talented young men were trained in construction, demolition, painting and yard maintenance.



TRAINED WORKERS RESTORING FORECLOSED HOMES IN AUSTIN



WHA has been successful in leveraging relationships and building partnerships between local businesses, banks, and community partners to create economic opportunities within the community. WHA has established partnerships with US Bank, Bank of America, Wells Fargo, Village Bank & Trust and 5th/3rd bank in order to secure financing for the homebuyers and obtaining foreclosed properties.



Employment and Re-Entry |



JOB CLUB SESSION HELD AT RE-ENTRY CENTER WITH NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

- **Collaboration with Businesses** - WHA has partnered with **1,666** businesses who have hired 1 or more clients since 2004. This year, over **550** community residents have been placed in employment through WHA's Community Re-Entry and Employment Center; 80% of which were formerly incarcerated. In addition, WHA's Community Re-Entry and Employment had **1,321** new registrants for the year 2012 seeking services.

- **Transitional Job programs** - The City of Chicago, Department of Family Support Services (DFSS), funded one program; and the Cook County Sheriff's Department of Justice funded the other. This innovative program design allows for clients to receive adequate training while showcasing their ability and talents to employers. This effort has led to permanent employment opportunities for **58** formerly incarcerated residents.

- **Community Support Advisory Council-West (CSAC)** - WHA is the lead agent for CSAC which provides supportive and vocational training for returning citizens to society. WHA also partners with **40** other organizations to cross-reference needs of clients. This program is funded through the Illinois Department of Correction (IDOC).

The Employment and Reentry center was founded in 1998 by an exoffender and is run by 12 exoffenders employed to help other exoffenders. WHA seeks to be the "first stop" for citizens returning home from incarceration. Many of our client's lives are restored through the assistance that is provided from assisting with basic needs of food, clothing, and shelter and then assisting to help rebuild areas of lives of people returning from prison by providing things such as family reunification services and spiritual support.



RE-ENTRY STAFF, CHARLES PERRY, ASSISTING RESIDENT WITH CLOTHING FOR AN INTERVIEW

Other on-Site Re-Entry Services include: customized case management, emergency food/clothing, support groups, computer classes, financial literacy, employment services, job clubs, job readiness, hygiene kits, on site healthcare (dental, eye/medical), housing, career training, substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation. For clients who don't have access to a phone, we offer a personal voicemail for interview callbacks. These services are available to veterans, handicapped, homeless, unemployed Chicago residents and the formerly incarcerated.



JOB DEVELOPER, CHRIS WATTS DISCUSSING CAREER OPTIONS WITH CLIENT



Health Promotions |

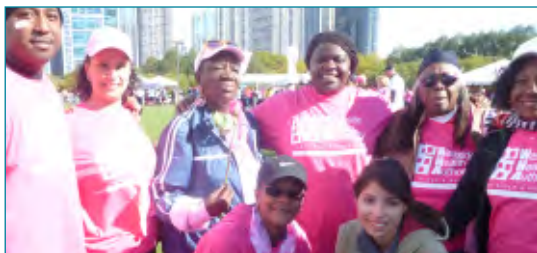


WHA Health Promotions programs promote healthy living and provide 7 priority areas of health: Active Lifestyles, Nutrition Education and Healthy Eating, Breast Health, Sexual Health, Health Literacy, Diabetes and School Health. Each month Health Promotions staff offer

aerobic, Zumba and Step classes instructed by qualified teachers at the Austin Town Hall. The classes are entertaining, educational and liberating. Program offerings in Health Promotions include:



“Body and Soul: Healthy Lifestyle Program”: A 10 week (Free) comprehensive wellness program created to ensure healthy living and eating with a focus on reducing the risk of developing chronic diseases including diabetes and heart disease. Serving Chicago Westside communities, this program provides education, resources, peer mentoring and special events that allow participants to practice leading healthier lifestyles.



“Every Woman Counts” Breast Health Program - Sponsored by the Susan G Komen Foundation, during the 2011/2012 fiscal year over **2700** women and families were informed about breast health topics. A total of 567 women received mammograms. The Circle Promise Community Ambassadors and interns assisted with this rigorous process; **37** community outreach events were conducted.



“Move N Crunch”: A 10 week program taught at elementary schools throughout the Westside of Chicago. The program offers a comprehensive curriculum that teaches healthy living to children in an engaging and fun manner.



Annual Healthy Living Walk: Taking place at Lafollette Park, more than **300** community members participated in this walking campaign to solicit the importance of physical health.



Youth Enrichment/Educational Development |



YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE OUTING TO STATE BOARD OF COMMERCE

advocate on public policy issues such as advocating for a new public high school in Austin, increased opportunities for jobs for youth, and strategizing on ways to help reduce violence in the community.

While many programs focus simply on keeping youth occupied to stay out of trouble, WHA seeks to use youth enthusiasm and energy to build capacity for community transformation. During 2012 with support from the Marguerite Casey Foundation and the Illinois Department of Human Services, 60 youth were trained in public policy advocacy, public speaking, personal development, goal setting, time management and life skills training. These skill sets were used to help

Other youth activities this year included:

Youth Leadership Institute - This 8 week program trains youth ranging from ages 13 to 18 on communication, public speaking, personal development, goal setting, time management and life skills training. Youth were also challenged with determining strategies and action plans on how to be Youth Ambassadors for positive change in their communities.

Stand up, Win, and Achieve your Goals (SWAG) spring break conference - over **500** youth participated in this weeklong conference and attained job readiness skills, health and wellness youth leadership, and professional development seminars. Students interacted with public officials on actionable items for community improvement.

Spring College Tour - **25** area youth traveled to Fisk University, Meharry Medical College, Purdue University, and Indiana Wesleyan University to discover college life.

Youth Employment - With funds provided by the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services over **200** youth were provided summer apprenticeships and internships at local area businesses.

Afterschool Programming - Through a grant from Illinois State Board of Education, WHA provided homework assistance to more than **30** youth from 5 different elementary and high schools. The Greater Chicago Food Depository also provided nutritional snacks for the youth at our "Kids Café".

Sports Leagues - WHA provided leagues for baseball and basketball for over **75** area youth. The WHA "Young Jedi's" won first place in the City of Chicago NATO Summit Basketball tournament.





2012 SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

REVENUES	2012	2011
Corporations & Foundations	834,369	615,754
Government Agencies	2,034,373	3,037,005
General Donations	60,043	27,604
WHA Real Estate Holdings	794,402	749,674
Investment Income	34,965	48,313
Other/Misc	42,205	0
Total Revenue	3,800,357	4,478,350
EXPENSES		
Program Expenses	2,862,601	2,959,592
WHA Real Estate Holdings	977,103	845,518
General Administration	327,853	361,299
Total Expenses	4,167,557	4,166,409
Increase in Restricted and Adjusted Assets	34,981	0
Gains (Loss) in Net Assets	-367,200	311,941
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	5,699,172	5,387,231
Unrestricted Net Assets		
Ending Balance	5,366,953	5,699,172

2012 SUMMARY OF OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS	2012	2011
Cash	707,023	1,280,252
Reserves	75,344	75,207
Receivables	656,722	536,726
Other Assets	744,481	642,998
WHA Real Estate Holdings	7,034,237	6,825,758
Total Assets	9,215,807	9,360,941
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities	785,213	513,778
Bonds Payable	2,727,870	2,794,470
Loans Payable	335,771	353,521
Total Liabilities	3,848,854	3,661,769
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted Net Assets	5,250,703	5,590,980
Temporarily Restricted Assets	116,250	108,192
Total Net Assets	5,366,953	5,699,172
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	9,215,807	9,360,941

FY 2012 Summary of Programs

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Casey Foundation	\$111,250.00
US Bank	\$125,000.00
Wheaton College	\$500.00
General Donations	\$5,552.45
Total	\$242,302.45

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Chicago Community Trust	\$90,625.00
Circle Family Healthcare Network	\$114,000.00
Northwestern University	\$1,000.00
Chicago Public Schools	\$556,187.16
DFSS – Youth Summer Grant	\$1,700.00
Illinois Department of Natural Resources	\$45,000.00
Illinois Violence Prevention	\$277,541.72
Illinois State Board of Education	\$110,250.00
IDHS: Special Projects	\$14,333.26
IDHS: Teen Reach	\$137,058.30
Program Fees	\$850.00
Total	\$1,348,545.44

HEALTH PROMOTIONS

Advocate Bethany	\$12,500.00
Avon Foundation	\$50,400.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$116,666.67
Chicago Community Trust	\$35,000.00
Chinese Mutual Aid	\$4,250.00
Hektoen	\$30,611.60
Loyola	\$525.00
Northwestern University	\$4,600.00
Ogilvy Public Relations Worldwide	\$3,876.30
Rush Medical Center	\$500.00
Susan Komen Foundation	\$88,500.00
University of Illinois	\$550.00
Other Donations	\$142.12
Total	\$348,121.69

EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

DFSS: CDBG	\$52,613.25
DFSS: Transitional Jobs	\$180,760.70
DFSS: Mosquito Abatement	\$50,605.00
DFSS: Community Reentry	\$99,484.88
Chicago Community Trust	\$25,000.00
Cook County WIA	\$142,524.11
Illinois Department of Corrections: CSAC	\$125,884.60
DCEO	\$96,644.00
IDHS: DFI TANF	\$58,756.00
Cook County Transitional Jobs	\$8,000.00
Urban Institute	\$6,468.00
Program Fees	\$400.00
Total	\$847,140.54



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The Westside Health Authority is sincerely grateful for the support from foundations, corporations, state, local and federal agencies, and local businesses who have contributed to the organization's mission. Although every effort was made to create a precise donors list, we apologize if your name or support level reflects an error or omission.

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